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NW MAC –2002 Decision 27—NO CHANGE

*****THE RED FLAG WARNING IN SOUTHWEST OREGON FOR STRONG NORTH WINDS IS CANCELLED EFFECTIVE 1900 7/29/2002 *****



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources



Oregon Fire Chief's
Association

<u>Fire</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>IC</u>	<u>Area Commander/MAC</u>
1. Cache Mtn.	OR-DEF	Lynch 3	Central OR MAC, Torrence MC
2. Sheldon Ridge	OR – ORS	Keith 2	Central OR MAC
3. Florence	OR – SIF	Joki 2	SW OR AC, Ribar
4. Timbered Rock	OR – ORS	Thorpe 2	SW OR AC, Ribar
5. Sour Biscuit	OR-SIF	Broyles 2	SW OR AC, Ribar
6. N. Umpqua Complex	OR – UPF	Jackson 2	SW OR AC, Ribar
7. Malheur Complex	OR-MAF	Wood 2	NE OR, Rhodes AC, Grace MC
8. Tiller Complex	OR-UPF	Walker 2	SW OR AC, Ribar
9. Skunk	OR – WNF	Gardner 2	SE OR AC, Mann
10. Toolbox Complex	OR-FRF	Gelobter	SE OR AC, Mann
11. Winter Complex	OR-98S	Mair 2	SE OR AC, Mann
12. Monument	OR-MAF	Stutler 1	NE OR, Rhodes AC, Grace MC
13. 747	OR - OCF	Melton 1	NE OR, Rhodes AC, Grace MC
14. Deer Point	WA – WEF	Vail	

Notice to Local Units and Agency Administrators:

Incoming Incident Management Teams (especially from other geographic areas) need to be briefed on contracts and procedures for using contract fire crews in the Pacific Northwest. Copies of contracts should be provided to IMTs at agency administrator in-briefings. Advise the IMT to order IACRs (interagency contract rep) to assist with understanding and administering those contracts. If units have qualified IACRs, please make them available for this purpose. Contracting information is available on the fire procurement website at

http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/ppm/fire_procurement.htm and the crew contract bid application containing the contract clauses is available at http://www.odf.state.or.us/fireprot/ops/02_bid.pdf.

Reminder to Incident Commanders:

Incidents under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service with 300 or more personnel assigned are required to have a Human Resource Specialist assigned to the incident management team (see Northwest Mob Guide 22.13). Further, per the Master Agreement between the Forest Service and NFFE (the Union), it is the responsibility of the Incident Commander to place a Resource Order request for a union representative when the number of individuals assigned to a Forest Service fire base camp reaches 300 or when there are 300 Forest Service employees assigned to a incident base camp on a non-Forest Service incident.

Special Resource Allocation Priorities:

1. Kearny's Type 2 team will be deployed to the Lucky Fire on the Willamette National Forest.

Previous Decisions:

1. Shortage of critical mid-level supervision:

Incidents throughout the NW are in critical need of line overhead.

Outstanding orders remain unfilled and line resources have been removed from suppression actions because of lack of appropriate overhead. These critical resources include; task force leaders, strike team leaders, division supervisors, helicopter managers, felling bosses, and dozer bosses. The NW MAC is requesting that area commands, incident commanders, sub-geographic MAC's, and agency administrators take the following actions:

- a) Review individual personnel fire qualifications to screen for these critical needs and reassign or make available individuals for these assignments to ensure the highest and best use of their qualifications.
- b) Identify individuals that have position task books initiated for critical positions and facilitate their training assignments. Agency administrators are requested to seek methods to streamline processes to certify and approve individuals as "recommended for certification" in accordance with training and qualifications standards specified in the Wildland Fire Qualifications Guide (310-1) and with their respective agency guidelines and policies.

Pending Issues:

1. DEQ has issued a health advisory for smoke risks in SW Oregon.

Prioritization Criteria & Considerations:

1. Potential to destroy or harm human life
2. Potential to destroy
 - Communities
 - Community infrastructure (including: long term effects to economic sustainability and viability)
 - Historically significant cultural resources
 - Commercial businesses
 - Principal residence (year-round homes)
 - Non-principal residence (seasonal home, cabins, etc.)
 - Outbuildings (barns, unattached garages, utility buildings, etc.)
3. Potential to impact cultural and natural resource values
4. Probability of meeting incident objectives

/s/Don Black
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